

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for combating skin pallor resulting from stress, comprising topically administering to an individual subject in need of such treatment, a cosmetic/dermatological composition comprising an effective skin pallor-reducing amount of manganese and/or at least one salt thereof and a physiologically acceptable vehicle, diluent or carrier therefor.
2. A method for combating skin pallor resulting from stress, comprising topically administering to an individual subject in need of such treatment, a cosmetic/dermatological composition comprising an effective skin pallor-reducing amount of manganese and/or at least one salt thereof; a bioaffecting amount of alverine, a keratolytic agent, a chlorine-channel opener, a hydroxy acid and/or a retinoid; and a physiologically acceptable vehicle, diluent or carrier therefor.
3. A method for combating skin pallor resulting from stress, comprising topically administering to an individual subject in need of such treatment, a cosmetic/dermatological composition consisting essentially of an effective skin pallor-reducing amount of manganese and/or at least one salt thereof and a physiologically acceptable vehicle, diluent or carrier therefor.
4. A method for combating skin pallor resulting from stress, comprising topically administering to an individual subject in need of such treatment, a cosmetic/dermatological composition consisting essentially of an effective skin pallor-reducing amount of manganese and/or at least one salt thereof; a bioaffecting amount of alverine, a keratolytic agent, a chlorine-channel opener, a hydroxy acid and/or a retinoid; and a physiologically acceptable vehicle, diluent or carrier therefor.

5. A topically applicable cosmetic/dermatological composition suitable for combating skin pallor resulting from stress, said composition consisting essentially of (i) an effective skin pallor-reducing amount of manganese and/or at least one salt thereof and (ii) a bioaffecting amount of alverine or a salt thereof, a keratolytic agent, a chlorine channel opener, a hydroxy acid and/or a retinoid, formulated into a topically applicable, physiologically acceptable vehicle, diluent, or carrier therefor.

6. The method as defined by Claim 1, wherein from 0.0001 % to 10 % by weight of manganese is administered.

7. The method as defined by Claim 6, wherein from 0.001 % to 5 % by weight of manganese is administered.

8. The method as defined by Claim 1, wherein manganese is administered in ionic state, or as a manganese salt, or as a manganese-rich natural, plant or microorganism extract.

9. The method as defined by Claim 8, wherein manganese is administered as at least one inorganic and/or organic manganese salt.

10. The method as defined by Claim 9, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese gluconate, manganese carbonate, manganese acetate, manganese citrate, manganese oleate, and/or manganese oxalate.

11. The method as defined by Claim 9, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese chloride, manganese borate, manganese nitrate, manganese phosphate, and/or manganese sulfate.

12. The method as defined by Claim 1, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is topically applied onto the skin of said individual subject.

13. The method as defined by Claim 1, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is a topically applicable solution, gel, emulsion, cream, oil, milk, makeup, serum, aerosol, vesicular dispersion, or artificial tanning preparation.

14. The method as defined by Claim 2, wherein from 0.0001 % to 10 % by weight of manganese is administered.

15. The method as defined by Claim 14, wherein from 0.001 % to 5 % by weight of manganese is administered.

16. The method as defined by Claim 2, wherein manganese is administered in ionic state, or as a manganese salt, or as a manganese-rich natural, plant or microorganism extract.

17. The method as defined by Claim 16, wherein manganese is administered as at least one inorganic and/or organic manganese salt.

18. The method as defined by Claim 17, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese gluconate, manganese carbonate, manganese acetate, manganese citrate, manganese oleate, and/or manganese oxalate.

19. The method as defined by Claim 17, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese chloride, manganese borate, manganese nitrate, manganese phosphate, and/or manganese sulfate.

20. The method as defined by Claim 2, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is topically applied onto the skin of said individual subject.

21. The method as defined by Claim 2, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is a topically applicable solution, gel, emulsion, cream, oil, milk, makeup, serum, aerosol, vesicular dispersion, or artificial tanning preparation.

22. The method as defined by Claim 3, wherein from 0.0001% to 10% by weight of manganese is administered.

23. The method as defined by Claim 22, wherein from 0.001% to 5% by weight of manganese is administered.

24. The method as defined by Claim 3, wherein manganese is administered in ionic state, or as a manganese salt, or as a manganese-rich natural, plant or microorganism extract.

25. The method as defined by Claim 24, wherein manganese is administered as at least one inorganic and/or organic manganese salt.

26. The method as defined by Claim 25, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese gluconate, manganese carbonate, manganese acetate, manganese citrate, manganese oleate, and/or manganese oxalate.

27. The method as defined by Claim 25, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese chloride, manganese borate, manganese nitrate, manganese phosphate, and/or manganese sulfate.

28. The method as defined by Claim 3, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is topically applied onto the skin of said individual subject.

29. The method as defined by Claim 3, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is a topically applicable solution, gel, emulsion, cream, oil, milk, makeup, serum, aerosol, vesicular dispersion, or artificial tanning preparation.

30. The method as defined by Claim 4, wherein from 0.0001% to 10% by weight of manganese is administered.

31. The method as defined by Claim 30, wherein from 0.001% to 5% by weight of manganese is administered.

32. The method as defined by Claim 4, wherein manganese is administered in ionic state, or as a manganese salt, or as a manganese-rich natural, plant or microorganism extract.

33. The method as defined by Claim 32, wherein manganese is administered as at least one inorganic and/or organic manganese salt.

34. The method as defined by Claim 33, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese gluconate, manganese carbonate, manganese acetate, manganese citrate, manganese oleate, and/or manganese oxalate.

35. The method as defined by Claim 33, wherein manganese is administered as at least one of manganese chloride, manganese borate, manganese nitrate, manganese phosphate, and/or manganese sulfate.

36. The method as defined by Claim 4, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is topically applied onto the skin of said individual subject.

37. The method as defined by Claim 4, wherein said cosmetic/dermatological composition is a topically applicable solution, gel, emulsion, cream, oil, milk, makeup, serum, aerosol, vesicular dispersion, or artificial tanning preparation.

38. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 5, wherein from 0.0001 % to 10 % by weight of manganese is present.

39. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 38, wherein from 0.001 % to 5 % by weight of manganese is present.

40. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 5, wherein the manganese is present in ionic state, or as a manganese salt, or as a manganese-rich natural, plant or microorganism extract.

41. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 40, wherein the manganese is present as at least one inorganic and/or organic manganese salt.

42. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 41, wherein the manganese is present as at least one of manganese gluconate, manganese carbonate, manganese acetate, manganese citrate, manganese oleate, and/or manganese oxalate.

43. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 41, wherein the manganese is present as at least one of manganese chloride, manganese borate, manganese nitrate, manganese phosphate, and/or manganese sulfate.

44. The cosmetic/dermatological composition as defined by Claim 5, said composition being in the form of a topically applicable solution, gel, emulsion, cream, oil, milk, makeup, serum, aerosol, vesicular dispersion, or artificial tanning preparation.